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DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION AND LOCAL  
DISTRIBUTION COMPANY  
COMPLIANCE IN THE JOINING OF  
POLYETHYLENE PIPES AND  
FITTINGS  
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